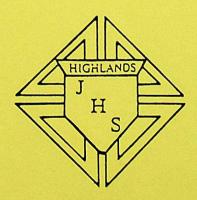
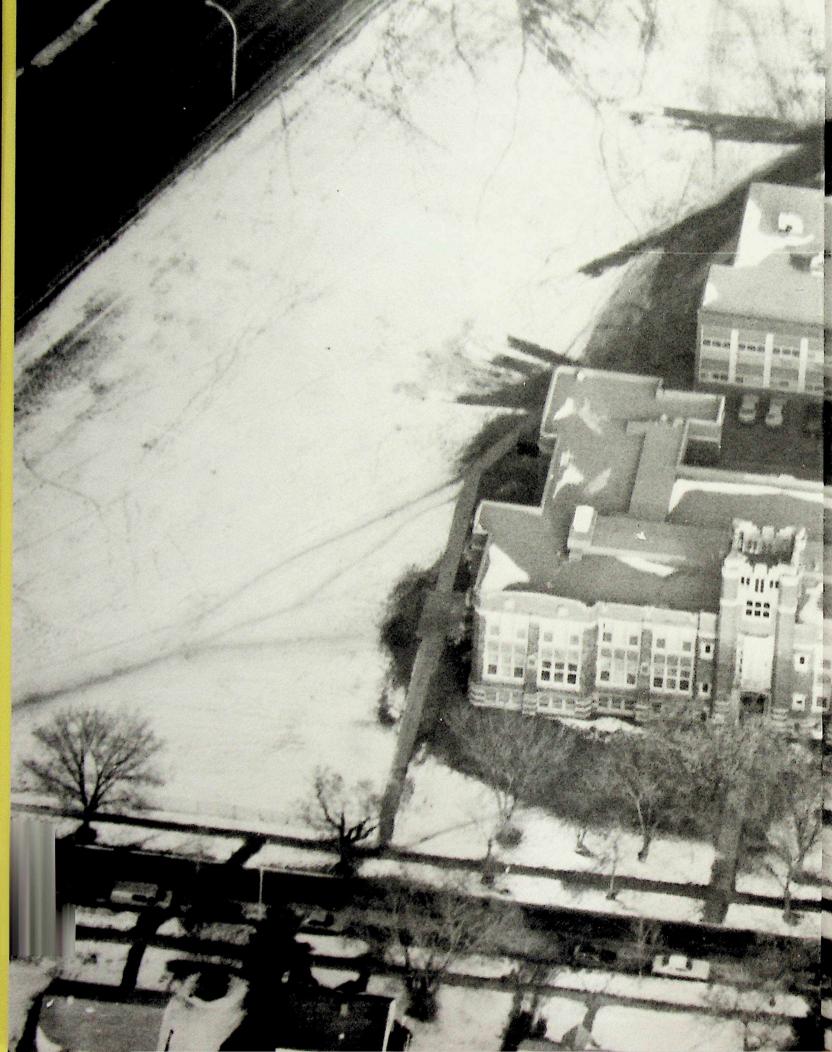


1992-93







Cheers

from

Highlands Junior High School 1992-93

During the year, Highlands had much to cheer about, the Students, the Teams, the Clubs, the Council, the Trips, the Staff. 1993 also marked the end of production of the 7.V. series "Cheers" and it is this theme which was chosen for this year's Yearbook - Cheers to you all!

In Remembrance of Mrs. Gelette

In December 1992 the students, staff and community lost a good and great friend. Mrs. Gelette passed away and left a great gap in all our lives. The following tribute was written by another good friend of us all, Mr. Pat Dawson.

In life Marlene Gelette lived many lives! She lived the ups and downs of every student, staff member, and parent! For each of us our life was her life. She touched each one of us in a very special way. She lived to give, and the only thing she asked in return was that each one of us grow and become a better person. It was this empathy, this ability to put herself in our shoes that allowed her to do so many good things.

Marlene had a great sense of humour, boundless mental energy, creative ideas and an ability to motivate using outstanding teaching strategies. To each one of us Marlene was Counsellor, Teacher, Administrator, Organizer, Confidant and, mostly, friend. In the final judgement her strength was her ability to listen, understand our feelings and then allow her actions to speak louder than words. Marlene could lead us to a solution then rejoice in our success in solving a problem, whether it was in the classroom, at home or in the community. She never gave up on us!

One of the best examples of Marlene's persistence comes from the community and well away from the school. A bag lady called Alice frequents the area along Jasper Avenue. For over ten years Marlene would monthly don her rain coat and rubber gloves, pull Alice off the street, scrub her down, wash her clothes than send Alice back out to find another doorway or entrance to sleep in. Alice refused Marlene's efforts to find a room or accommodation and continually protested over having to have a bath. Marlene never gave up! During the last week of her life Marlene was still trying to make arrangements for Alice for the cold winter months.

Marlene never gave up on Alice, and, in spirit, Marlene will never give up on us!

Cheers from the Principal

The 1992-93 school year at Highlands was marked with many successes. The students whose pictures appear on the following pages should be proud of their own accomplishments and those of their classmates. It was a year when many individual students performed well academically, athletically, and from a citizenship perspective.

If you were able to attend the awards ceremonies in June, you observed the acknowledgment of those efforts.

It was a year, too, when our school teams excelled, highlighted by the city championship victory of our baseball team. The dedication of students who played and staff who coached was impressive.

I would like to thank our grade nine students and wish them well in their high school careers. It is our grade nines who set the tone for the school and their energy, caring and enthusiasm were greatly appreciated. I know that wherever they go, there will always be a little piece of Highlands School with them.

Mr. Robblee



A Message from the Students Council President

As President of the Students' Council, I would like to take this opportunity to give out many thanks to all the students at Highlands, for all their enormous support in making this year unforgettable and very successful. I would also like to thank the Student's Council for their tremendous effort in organizing dances and other special activities. A very special thanks goes out to all our fine advisors for their everlasting patience and moral support

I really have enjoyed working with you all. I think that Highlands has a great amount of potential and spirit, that no matter what the occasion is, we always seem to have a lot of fun and see a lot of smiling faces. Without the student's effort, potential and spirit, this school wouldn't be the great place it actually is!

Best of luck and wishes to everyone in the future!

Ana Zulma Torres

Cheers from the

Mr. Robblee Mrs. Boyden Mr. Burnett





Mr. Christensen Mrs. Dorchak









Mrs. Fitzpatrick Ms. Friedrich









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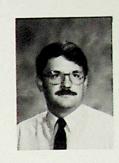




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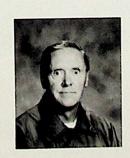






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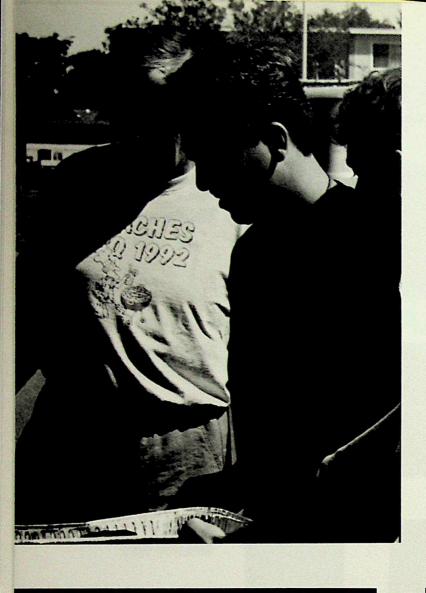




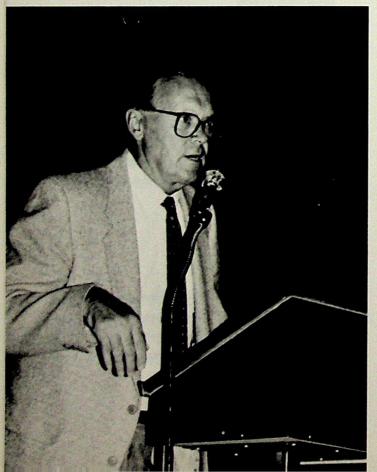




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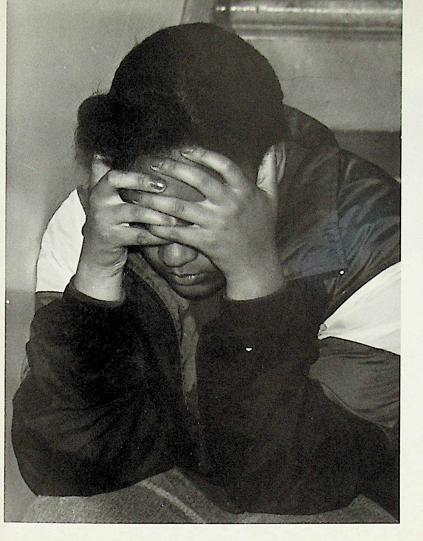












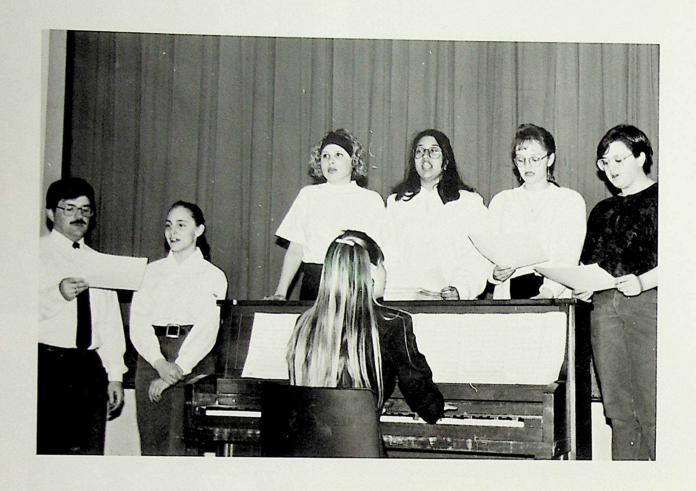














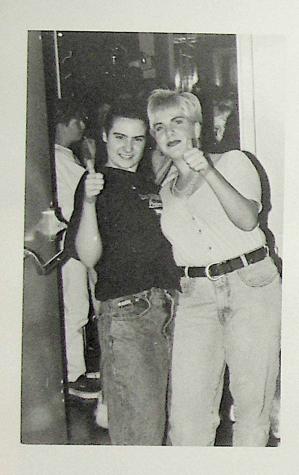


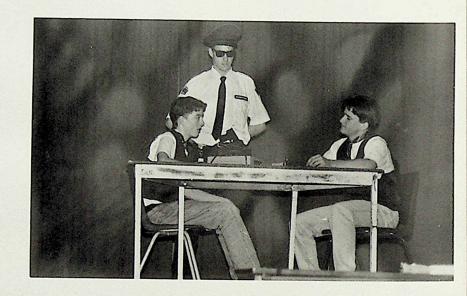
















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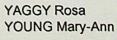


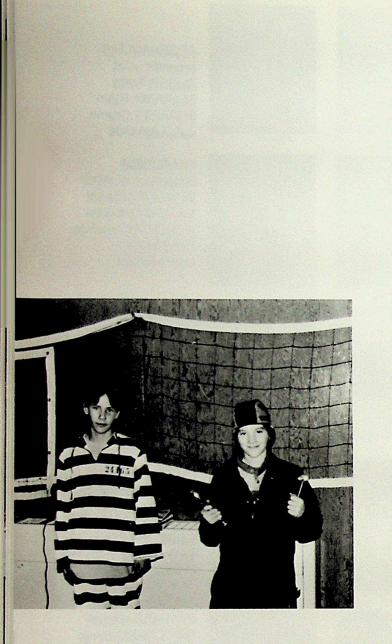
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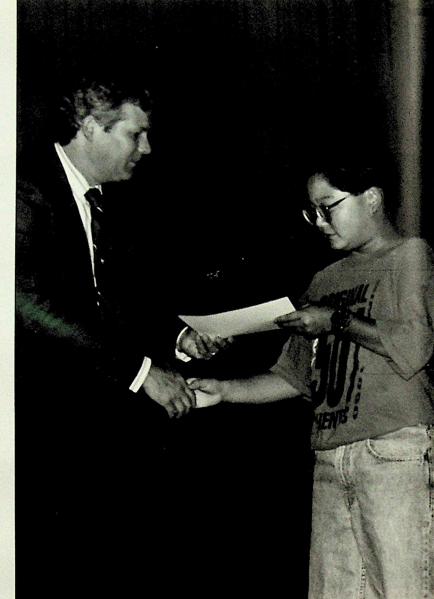


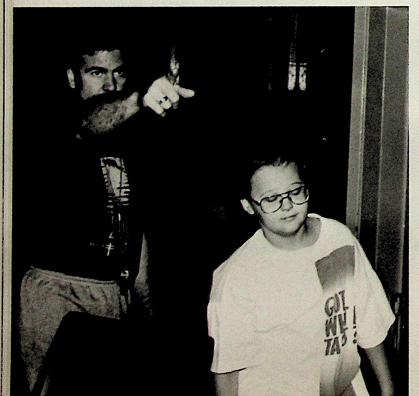






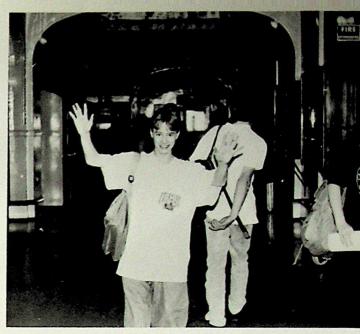




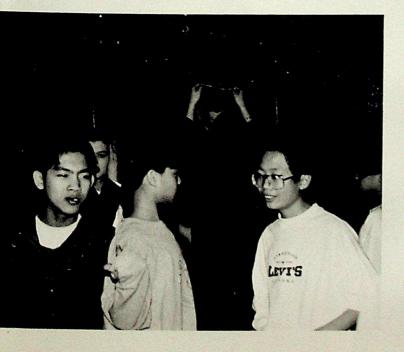




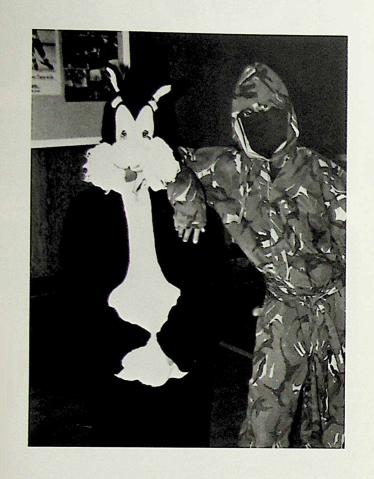


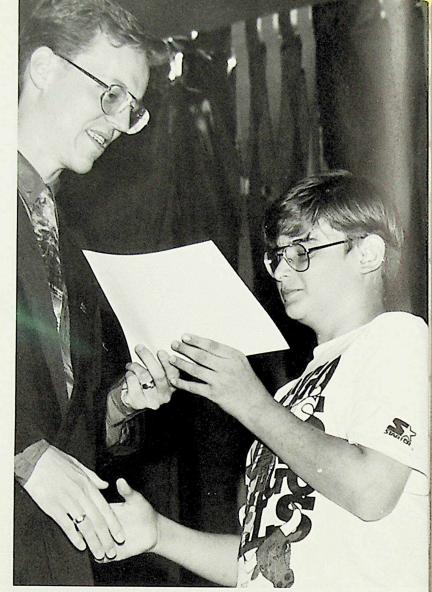


















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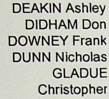






















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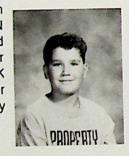








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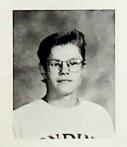


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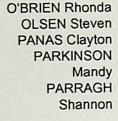












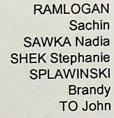






















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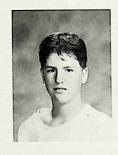






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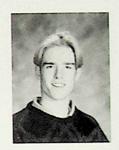
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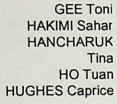












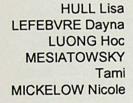












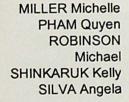












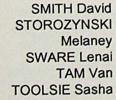






















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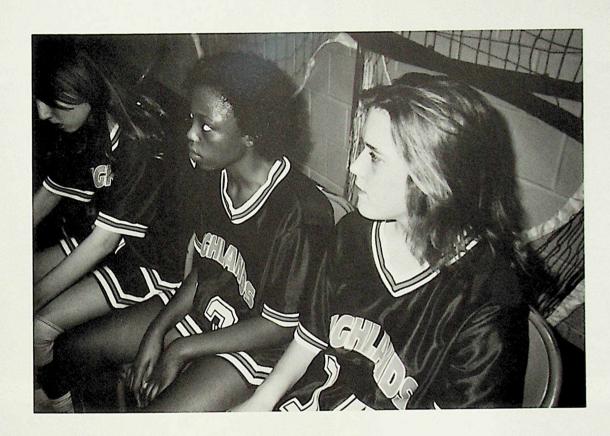






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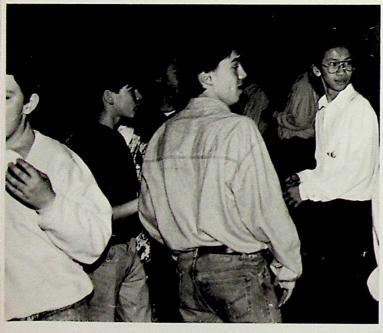




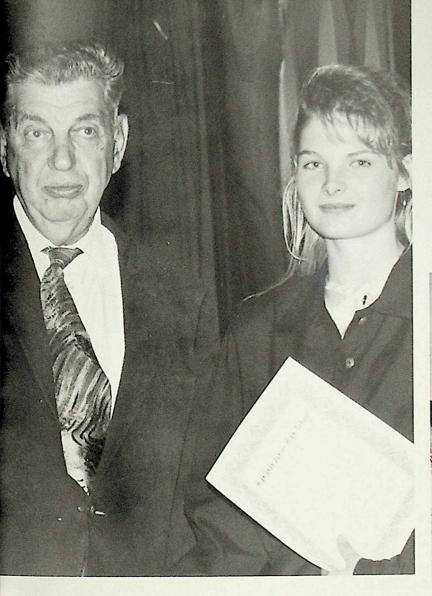




























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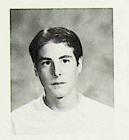




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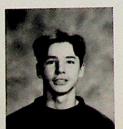








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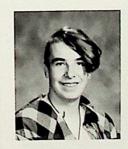


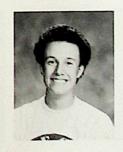


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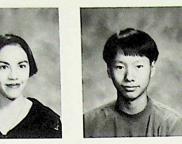
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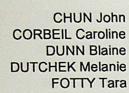
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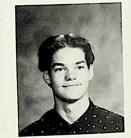
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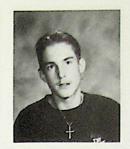
















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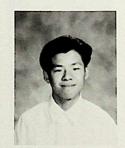






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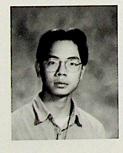






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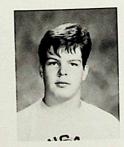






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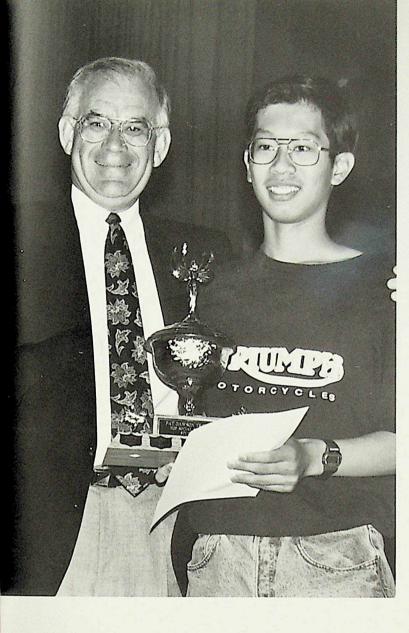
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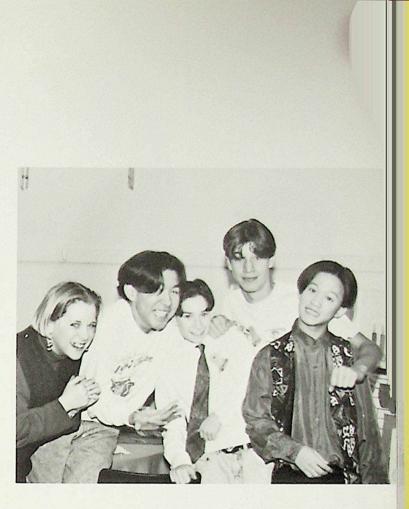


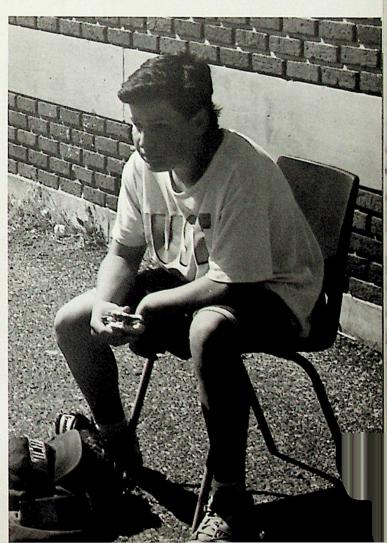




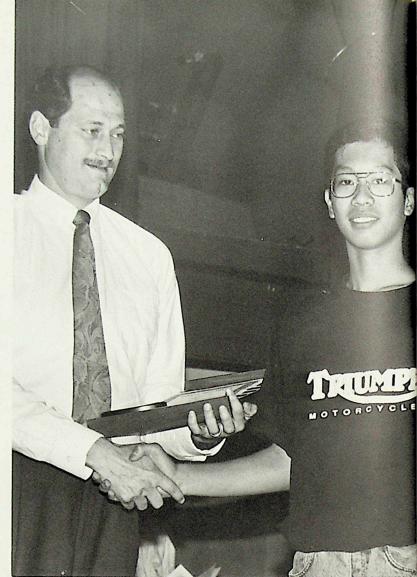
















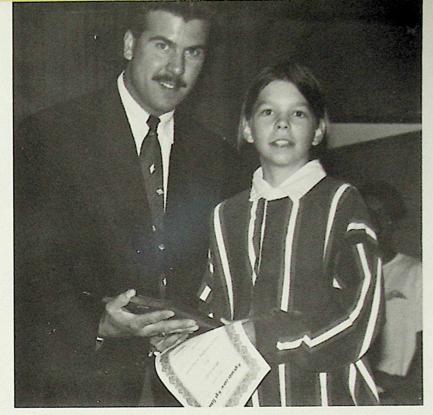




Soccer

Mr. Janisch, assisted by the coaching of Mr. Lowry and the managing of Ana Torres, took the team through very competitive year. All Grade levels were represented. In regular season play the team finished in second place out of a field of nine teams. In City Zone play they finished third. Congratulations to them all! The team consisted of: David Bamford, Brian Brook, Robert Brook, Jamie Danyluk, Shane Fowler, Sasha Heltman, Johanna Khalema, Jonathan Khalema, Kelly Klauser, Thi Pho Heng, John Miric, Chris Postma, Jon Teghtmeyer, Philip Tran, KimTu and Myrna Watson.





Sr. Boys Volleyball

Josh Veres, Steve Bromley, Kelly Klauser, Scott Parsons, Paul Macyk, Chris Kerr, Shane Clark, Jamie Danyluk, Michael Ng, Brian Brook and John Miric. Mr. Radmanovich, who was their coach says that they had a successful season, the boys played a lot of tough matches. Although they didn't win the zone, we had a good, spirited team, good sportsmanship and good fun.





Baseball Team

(The following are edited excerpts from the day following the team's winning the City finals, at the presentation of the team by Mr. Layton, at the morning assembly following their win ing the City finals.)

"The last time Highlands was in the City finals, we lost to a team coached by Mr. Yaremko (Lawton). The last time we WON the Trophy was 23 years ago! This year's players were:

Justin Chun: was one of our best team players.

Alan Scholey, has arms that go on forever, stretched out to get a ball, he's about seven feet, and he really needed to when Scott Klimchuk to deep short stop to get it to him.. Jennifer Hryniw, second base, when a 80 - 90 km really liked her for one inning, I was glad I wasn't playing second base!

Tina Moir played a fantastic game as catcher (even with her black eye!)
Our Manager, Joanna Trela, who stayed by us in good games and in bad games!

Adam Philpott batted well all year, until the final when he got all tied up, except for one inning, and I'm glad he did well that inning - it was important!

Next is "though the legs Jerry" Rimijn, he had that problem once in a while, but that's OK because he has a very good bat!

Jolene Chipiuk played the majority of the games with us, and we are really proud!

The captain was a real team player! It was always, "Mr. Layton can I ______ please please - please?" He gave us a very important home run that got us up and going!

Danny O'Hara.

Melaney Stoyozynski, played during the year, and was there in case one of the girls got hurt, she is important because helped us win some important games.

Scott Klymchuk - we won't talk about his batting - it was his birthday and the pressure was on! We wanted to give him a special birthday present so we gave him the City final!"

The coaches were: Mr. Layton, Mr. Lowry and Mr. Yaremko.





Girls Gymnastics Team

The Gymnastics team had a great year. Their Coach Miss Freidreich with assistants, Mr. DeLong and Mr. Layton, saw them through two competitions where they placed first both times. In the City Finals, they came in second place overall. This year they had the largest team in the history of Highlands, and all the girls worked very hard during the three months of training.

Team members were: Leigha Babysh, Amber Cramton, Melanie Doiron, Amanda Gendron, Carrie Gogowich, Sherryanne Harvey, Orianna Heard, Michelle Issler, Heather Jackson, Jackie Lyseko Sue McGowan, Jenny Montasterski, Melissa Presse, Andrea Price, Amanda Ranger, Jackie Soroka, Shauna Stefiuk, Lenai Sware, and Anastasia Yakowich.

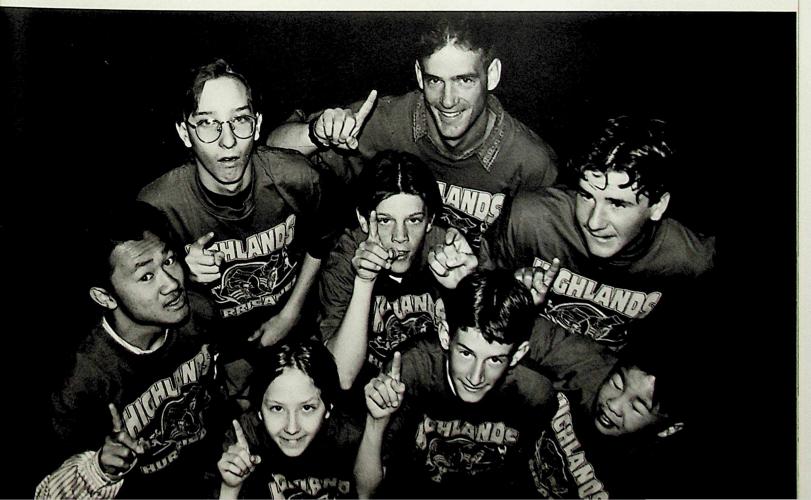


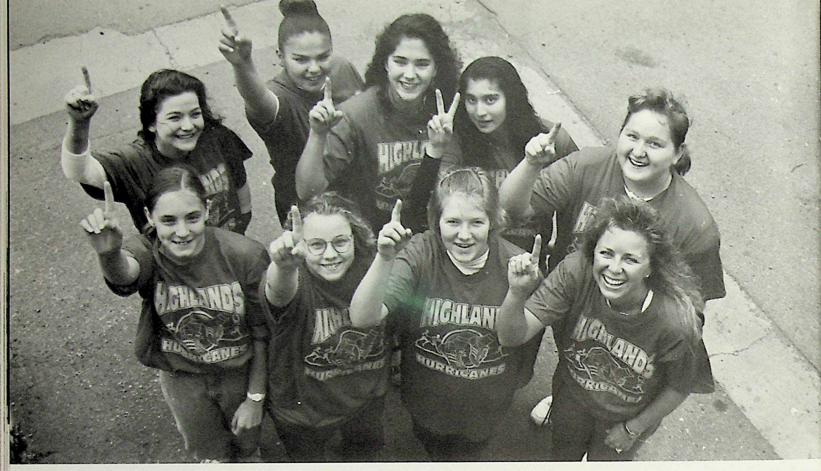




Jr. Boys Volleyball

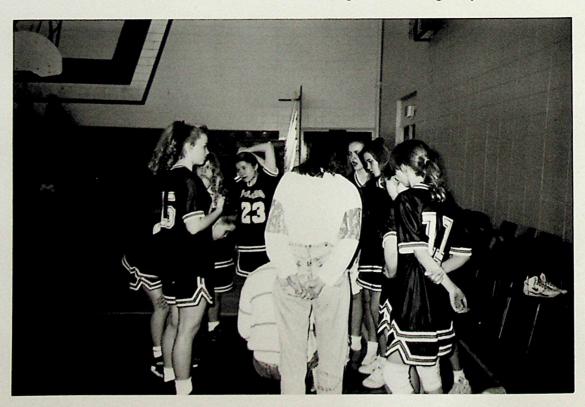
With the coaching of Mr. DeLong, members Dale Clarke, Vay Diep, DeeKer Lieu, Danny O'Hara, Jerry Romijn, Trevor Romjin, Jeff Smith, Roley Torrance and Phillip Tran, had a great year-they won every game except one!

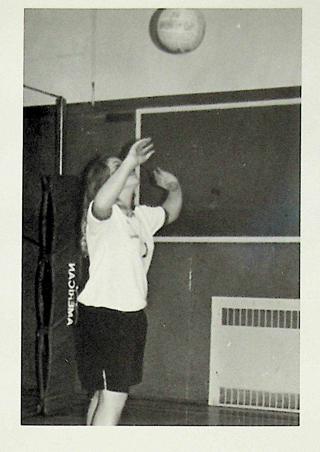


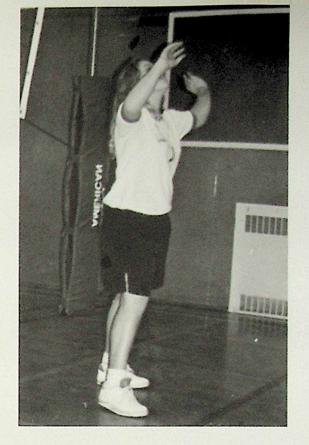


Senior Girls Volleyball

The 1992-93 Girls Senior Volleyball team was coached by Mrs. Newsham. She did a great job on coaching them and making them better players. The team was made up of a diverse group of girls, who were: Melissa Bilodeau, Debbie Blackwood, Jolene Chipiuk, Amber Cramton, Alicia Dixon, Jamie Fleese, Tasha Hinterbrandner, Chrissie Kendrich, Shauna Laurie, Carmen Patterson and Marlene Sembaliuk. The girls played well during the season, displaying outstanding sportsmanship skills. The volleyball team ended the season fourth overall. Thanks to the girls for making this year a fun time.



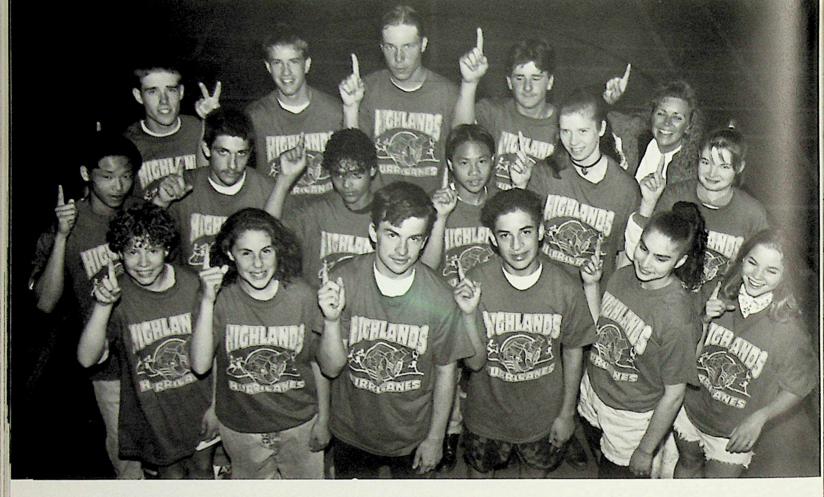




Junior Girls Volleyball

A very successful season earned the girls under the coaching of Mrs. Dorchak first place in two tournaments. Their members were: Misty Amyotte, Kim Astle, Johanna Khalema, Tami Mesiatowsky, Terri Moir, Tina Moir, Kelly-Anne Osborne, Quen Pham, Angella Silva, Van Tam, and Heather Urquhardt.





Track Team Finalists

Were: Robert Brook, Jolene Chipiuk, Martin Dominguez, Shane Fowler, Toni Gee, Orianna Heard, Michael Huynh, Heather Jackson, Scott MacFarland, Paul Macyk, Stacey Montasterski, Danny O'Hara, Ismar Peirara, Kelly Ranger, Lenai Sware. and Hue Tu,



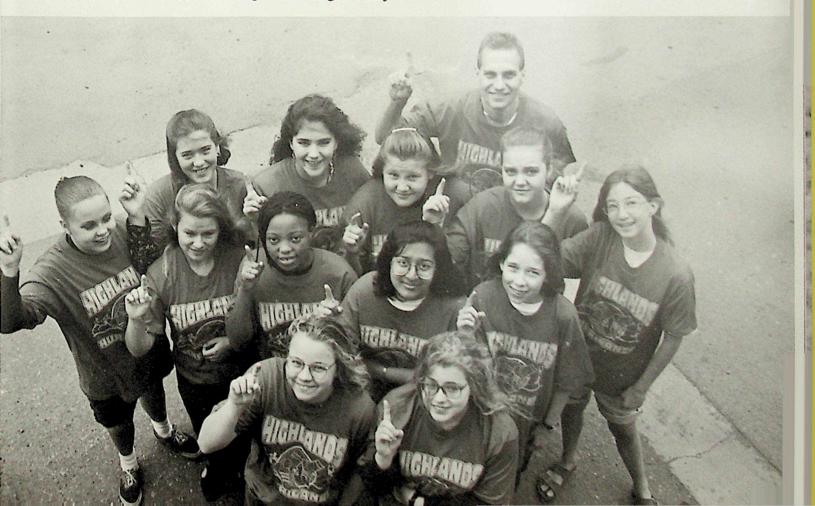






Senior Girls Basketball

Under the coaching of Mr. and Mrs Yaremko, the team; #5 Melanie Chuz, #14 Josselyn Grebinsky, #6 Tasha Hinterbrandner, #13 Johanna Khalema, #10 Keeley Osborne, #11 Lisa Pruden, #8 Melaney Storozynski, #9 Sasha Toolsie, #23 Joanna Trela, and #12 Keeley White; the team was filled with many challanges and heartaches. After many hours of hard work and dedication they lost out in the playoffs 55-56 to Spruce Avenue. Next year the team will come out more aggressive and talented due to this building year. Congratulations girls on a job well done!

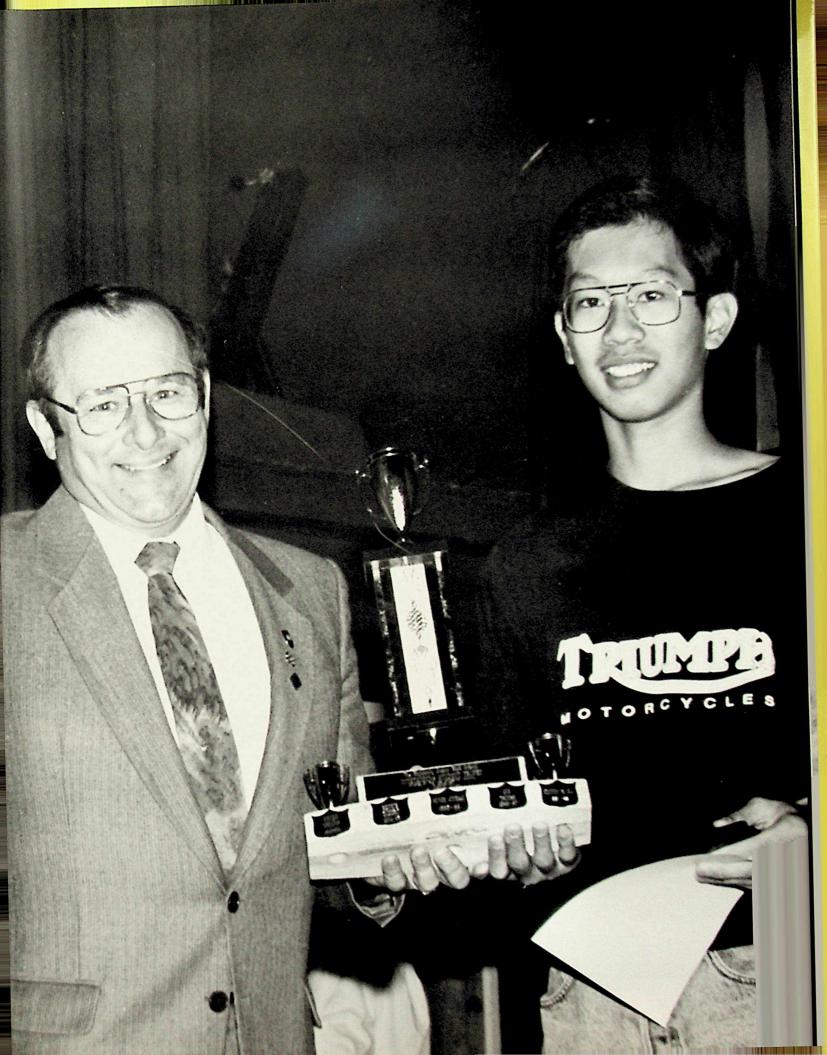




Sr. Boys Basketball

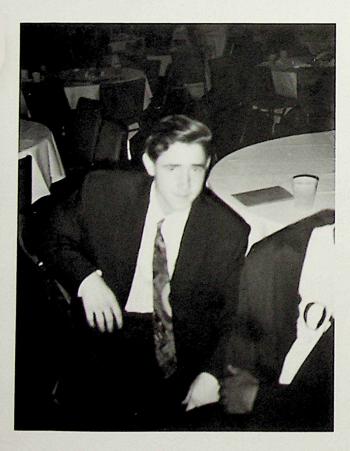
The team was coached by Mr. MacLeod, and included: Jonathan Khalema, Paul Macyk, John Miric, Adam Phillpot, Roger Pollard and Jeremy Romijn.





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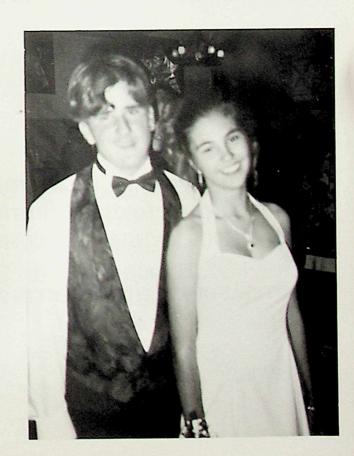












70p Awards Winners

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ART Charity HUZAR

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN DRAMA Mike BABLITZ

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN EX. P. E. Pamela FRASER,

Danny O'HARA.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN FRENCH Linh PHAN

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN HOME EC. Anh AU

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN IND. ED. Michael NG

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN LEADERSHIP Mark LEGA

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN OUTDOOR ED. Scott PARSONS

STUDENTS COUNCIL Ana TORES,

Marlene

SEMBALIUK,

Elisabeth

WINDJACK.

GAUSS MATHEMATICS COMPETITION - 7's Jessica JOHNSON

GAUSS MATHEMATICS COMPETITION - 8's Hoc LUONG

JUNIOR HIGH MATHEMATICS COMPETITION Michel NG

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN PHYSICAL ED. Pamela FRASER,

Scott KLIMCHUK

SERVICE TO THE LIBRARY Allison GREGORY

1992-93

MOST IMPROVED GRADE EIGHT Tony GEE

TOP MALE AND FEMALE ATHLETE Danny O'HARA,

Victoria WOOD.

ADAPTATION AWARDS Heather OLSEN

OPPORTUNITY AWARDS Rosa YAGGY

GOOD GUYS Carmen

PATTERSON,

Marlene

SEMBALIUK

TOP MATHEMATICS STUDENT Michael NG

OUTSTANDING STUDENT Andrew HO

CITIZENSHIP Marlene

SEMBALIUK

TOP HONOURS GRADE NINE Andrew HO

(88.43%)

TOP HONOURS GRADE EIGHT Kelly

SHINKARUK

(86.63)

TOP HONOURS GRADE SEVEN Justin CHUN

(89.00%)

TOP SCIENCE STUDENT Andrew HO

TOP SOCIAL STUDIES STUDENT Andrew HO

Class History

When you first get here in Grade 7 everything is weird, my Elementary School was a tiny one story building. It had seven classrooms, a tiny gym, a library; so, Highlands was a bit of a change. I wasn't used to either a locker or having a schedule. I remember forgetting my combination a few times. However, I only got lost twice a year. The teachers names all seemed huge, at times you are confused and call your teachers by the wrong names, for example calling Mr. Rad. Mrs., or mistaking Mr. Christensen for either your Mom or Dad - I didn't do that (not that I'll admit to anyway.)

By the end of the year you realize which friends you've grown away from, sometimes you're sorry, other times you're glad. You've made new friends and some new enemies. If you moved from school to school you may renew some old friendships.

At the end of summer you come back to school - joy. You have to get used to getting up at 7 a.m. again. That's always fun. You get new teachers and classes and new chances to get lost. You might have some old friends in your classes and maybe not. Grade 8 is the year you really discover who you are. That's when you discover if you are a follower or a leader. You learn about yourself and your friends. Sometimes you don't like what you see, you either learn to accept it or go crazy with obsession, but you should save that energy for studying and guy watching. By the end of the year you have a general idea of what your priorities are. You know, like guys, make-up, guys, shopping, guys, talking on the phone, guys, and friends. And for you guys you probably put most of your energy into sports, girls and most importantly, your hair.

Then there's Grade 9. The joy of all joys. This is the worst year of Junior High in some ways. You have to write 13 major exams, four mid-terms, four finals, four departmentals, and one Provincial exam. Then you have the joy of signing up for a High School. You don't know which one to go to, but you have to convince your parents that it's an O.K. school.

To top off all your worries we had a new Principal this year. So you're thinking (to yourself) "Who is this guy, anyway." You don't know what he looks like really, but there's some guy running around the school telling us what to do! After the first couple of months everything falls into place. Then there's the Celebration! What to wear, who to go with! But you make it through to bigger and better things.

So here we are at the final school function before we get our report cards! The only thing left to worry about now is whether or not there will be anyone left to talk to for the summer vacation of if they'll all vegetables!

Best of luck in your new schools, try not to get lost on your way to classes!

Valedictorian's Address

It's a great honour to be here tonight and represent Highland's Class of '93.

As a graduating student I am very excited, as well as disappointed to be leaving. The past three years at Highlands have given me a powerful jump start for my future goals as well as those of many other students. With the experienced teachers, I have learned to be positive in everything I do and enhance my self-esteem. They helped us realize our inborn potential, and by putting our minds to it, we could conquer it all. I've learned that books alone won't help you through school, but with the help of friends and teachers, we not only made it through Junior High School years but also with the fondest of memories.

My teachers, as well as Mr. Robblee and Mr. Jonkman, all are equal, but each with their own special qualities. They are all an important part of our school and this is what makes it special.

About Highlands athletic achievements, we are provided with remarkable coaches, and outstanding athletes. What we have in our trophy case are not just simple trophies, but a symbol of the effort and pain that we once physically experienced. This goes especially to our cheerleaders which have done exceptional throughout the years.

What I most appreciate about Highlands and the people here is that we each as an individual are respectfully treated even if our cultural backgrounds vary. We are not being isolated or discriminated against, because of our different skin colours.

Fellow graduates I challenge you to look and move forward. We must respect, acknowledge, and be mindful of the past, but our challenge is to set our sights forward. Our world is very, very dynamic ... but so are we. It is constantly changing, evolving, progressing ... so must we. This is our challenge.

Also, let us pay tribute to those who have guided and helped us along these past years. To our friends, teachers, parents, and guardians, thank you for working so hard to help us be the incredible people that we are.

We have shared the same ship, Highlands, and a similar path for these past few years. Now as we get ready to sail off in our various directions into the future, there are bound to be rough waters and I know we'll have some hard times, but we'll always have the friendships and the memories we have made here to help sustain us until we again reach friendly shores.

Finally, I'd like to say ... thank you for this honour. Look forward and progress. Remember your essential and important place in the grand scheme of things, and all my best to you.

As for myself, an honourable student I promise to continue to achieve in academic aspects in the future school years. Thereby, to proudly announce to the people here, that the Highlands Grade Nine Class of '92 and 93 are the students of the future generation.

Linh Phan

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